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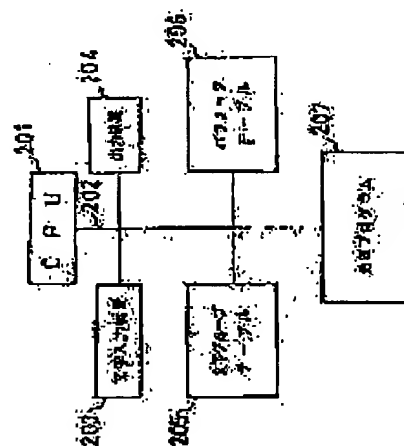
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## (54) CHARACTER-TO-CHARACTER PITCH PROCESSING

## (57)Abstract:

**PURPOSE:** To reduce the capacity of a memory, by judging a group to which two continuous characters belong by a classifying means and calculating the character-to-character pitch of two continuous characters corresponding to the judge result by a character-to-character pitch determination means.  
**CONSTITUTION:** The character code and attribute relating to two continuous characters ready to calculate a character-to-character pitch are read from an input apparatus 203 or memory at first and a CPU 201 calculates a character shape value such as a character width according to a processing program 207 and refers to a character group table 205 to determine character groups. Next, two character groups are used as searching keys and a weighting parameter table 206 is referred to read the parameter relating to a width and, from the obtained parameters relating to the character shape value and the width, the pitch between two characters is calculated. By this method, the capacity of a memory is reduced and even a combination of characters different in attribute can be dealt with.



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